

Making a **prediction** is guessing what *happened next*.

Read each story event, and predict what *happened next*.

1. The phone rang, and Katya's mom picked it up. She listened for a few seconds, and then said "I'll be there right away." She hung up the phone and turned to Katya. "Katya," she said. "Get your coat. Your dad missed the bus home from work."

What probably *happened next*?

- A. Katya and her mom went to the grocery store.
- B. Katya and her mom went in the car to pick up Katya's dad from work.
- C. Katya's mom drove Katya to work.
- D. Katya made a phone call to her dad.

2. Karin got dressed for school and checked to see that she had put her homework in her backpack. Then she looked out the window. "Wow!" she cried. She ran to the kitchen. "Did you see the snow, Mom? It must be a foot deep!"

"I know," said Mom. "I was just listening to the news. You should probably go and change into your play clothes."

What probably *happened next*?

- A. Karin put her homework in her backpack.
- B. Karin looked out the window.
- C. Karin ran to the kitchen.
- D. Karin changed her clothes and stayed home.

3. The school play ended. Everyone had remembered their lines. The audience had laughed at all the right places. The lights came on and the students all came back on stage and took a bow.

What probably *happened next*?

- A. The audience clapped.
- B. The play began.
- C. Everyone sat down.
- D. The lights were turned off.

4. Boom went the thunder. Flash went the lightening. Whooosh went the wind. The rain fell hard and fast. Jimmy looked out the living room window. The cars were going slow. Suddenly, all the lights went out, and the television went off.

Jimmy's mom came into the living room. "Come and help me, Jimmy," she said. "We'll need these for a little while until the lights come back on." What probably *happened next*?

- A. Jimmy and his mom watched television.
- B. Jimmy and his mom lit some candles.
- C. Jimmy's mom turned on the lights.
- D. Jimmy went for a ride on his bike.



Read this story event, and write your prediction of what *happened next*.

5. Jamal punched the code into the keypad to open the garage door. He parked his bike in the garage, and went inside. He tossed his backpack on a chair by the kitchen table. Something smelled delicious. "Hi mom, I'm home!" he called.

His mom came into the kitchen and opened the oven door. "Just in time!" she said. "Look what I made for you!"

What probably *happened next*?